

Agenda Date: 9/4/02 Agenda Item: 4C

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS

IN THE MATTER OF A FILING BY UNITED)	
TELEPHONE COMPANY OF NEW)	
JERSEY, INC. INTRODUCING CLEAR)	
CHANNEL CAPABILITY AS AN OPTIONAL)	
FEATURE TO ITS TARIFF N.J.B.P.U. –)	
NO 4	

ORDER OF APPROVAL

DOCKET NO. TT01040269

(SERVICE LIST ATTACHED)

BY THE BOARD:

By letter dated April 25, 2001, United Telephone Company of New Jersey, Inc. (United or Petitioner) filed a petition with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (Board) requesting revisions to its Tariff N.J.B.P.U No. 4. United is proposing to introduce Clear Channel Capability (CCC) as an optional feature for Access Service customers. The proposed revisions are identical to those already in effect in Petitioner's interstate access tariff.

Clear Channel Capability allows a customer to use the full bandwidth of a channel for transmission with no portion of the channel set aside for control, framing or signaling. Inherent in 1.544 Mbps Service are 24 available channels. With CCC, each of the 24 channels increase from 56 kbps to 64 kbps. This provides an overall increase in usable bandwidth over 1.544 Mbps Service from 1.344 Mbps to 1.536 Mbps of unconstrained data stream across the network. United is proposing to introduce CCC as an optional feature available in conjunction with Feature Group D Switched Access Service and as an optional feature in conjunction with Special Access High Capacity Service.

Clear Channel Capability used with Feature Group D Switched Access Service is provided over a DS1/1.544 Mbps High Capacity channel between the customer's designated premises and a suitably equipped end office. Clear Channel Capability, used with Special Access Service, is provided on DS1/1.544 Mbps High Capacity channels between two customer designated premises.

The Clear Channel Capability optional feature may be ordered at the same time the DS1/1.544 Mbps High Capacity channel is ordered without incurring an additional charge (non-recurring charge), or it may be ordered as an additional feature of an existing channel for a \$320.00 rate that will apply at each end of the channel.

Approval of this petition would not have an adverse effect on the provision of safe, adequate, or proper service.

The Board, after review, <u>FINDS</u> that the revision is in the public interest and is in accordance with law, and <u>HEREBY APPROVES</u> the tariff revision referred to herein, to become effective as of the date of this Order.

DATED: 9/05/02

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

BY:

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PRESIDENT

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COMMISSIONER

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